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Letter dated 20 December 2000 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to request you to retain on the agenda of the Security Council for 2001 the item entitled "Letter dated 2 December 1971 from the Permanent Representatives of Algeria, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council" (S/10409), concerning the occupation by the Islamic Republic of Iran of the three islands belonging to the United Arab Emirates of the Greater Tunb, the Lesser Tunb and Abu Musa. The item should be retained until such time as the dispute is settled peacefully by means of negotiations, either directly or through the International Court of Justice, and a just, comprehensive and lasting solution to this issue has been found that will guarantee regional and international peace, security and stability.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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